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**Title:** OPTICAL TRANSMISSION SYSTEM, MONITORING METHOD  
THEREFOR, OPTICAL COMMUNICATION APPARATUS, AND  
OPTICAL EXTERNAL CONDUCTING APPARATUS

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**Sir:**

This communication is responsive to the Final Office Action dated January 10, 2005,  
concerning the above-referenced patent application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on  
page 2 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: